

The NAB's petition 04-160 is a blatant attempt to violate the rights guaranteed to American citizens and businesses by the 1st Amendment. The millions of XM and Sirius radio subscribers have sent a clear message to the NAB that we do not like nor listen to the programming offered by its members. By even considering this proposal by the NAB, the FCC and the U.S. Congress is saying that they can be bought. The NAB contends that providing local weather and traffic updates infringes upon their local markets. No, it does not. These traffic and weather updates provide valuable information to commuters, tourists, and those who are away from their homes. Since each supposed local channel is available nationwide, XM and Sirius are not infringing upon local markets, rather they are providing news and information across the country as both organizations are free to do. Please do not allow yet money hungry political action committee buy what they want. Stand your ground and do not support either NAB petition 04-160 or HR 4026.